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YOU ASKED ABOUT THIS SYMBOL - I'LL START AT THE BEGINNING
YEARS AGO, AS A YOUNG DOCTOR, I WAS CARELESS-
"I'D HAD A BIG NIGHT- I WAS YOUNG AND STUPID-"
ALMOST LOST THE PATIENT- OPERATING WITH A SHAKY HAND!
"I BECAME, I MUST ADMIT, A SHIFTLESS DERELICT-"
YOU - WORLD-FAMOUS DR. AXEL -- IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE! AND THAT SYMBOL --?
I'LL GET TO IT - OLD MEN TELL LONG STORIES-
WILSON McCOY 10-9
WORLD-FAMOUS DR. AXEL - A HOPELESS DERELICT - HARD TO BELIEVE -
THAT WAS THIRTY YEARS AGO. I DRIFTED-
"MY LOWEST POINT CAME - I WAS READY TO GIVE UP-"
AND STAY OUT - BUM!
"I WAS IN A FOG - I REMEMBER NATIVE HANDS HOLDING ME"...
?
WE HAVE COME FOR YOU-
"THEN FOUND MYSELF HANGING ONTO A GALLOPING DONKEY - THRU THE JUNGLE - LIKE A NIGHTMARE!"
WILSON McCOY 10-10
DR. AXEL'S STORY: 30 YEARS AGO- "I HUNG ON TO THAT CRAZY DONKEY-"
WHERE - WHERE?
-"AS IT RACED THRU THE JUNGLE UNDER A WATERFALL - TAKING ME WHERE I KNEW NOT"
WE BROUGHT (PANT - PANT) DR. AXEL.
DR. AXEL - I SENT FOR YOU.
WILSON McCOY 10-12
"FINALLY, I COULD HANG ON NO LONGER - AND THERE HE WAS!" (OUR PHANTOM'S FATHER.)
I SENT FOR YOU, DR. AXEL.
DR. AXEL'S STORY 30 YEARS AGO-
I WAS DR. AXEL - WHO ARE YOU?
WE NEED A DOCTOR AND A HOSPITAL IN THE JUNGLE. WANT THE JOB?
ME? I'M WASHED UP, I --
I KNOW YOUR STORY. YOU OPERATED WHILE UNFIT - THERE'S NOTHING WORSE...
BUT EVERY MAN DESERVES A SECOND CHANCE. DO YOU WANT IT?
WILSON McCOY 10-13

DR. AXEL'S STORY 30 YEARS AGO...
I DIDN'T SEE THE MASKED MAN FOR MONTHS.
THE PYGMIES PUT ME BACK ON MY FEET AND BUILT ME UP~

"THEN~ HE APPEARED~"
THE PYGMIES TELL ME YOU'RE FIT, DR. AXEL.
I FEEL BETTER~ BUT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT OPERATING OR~

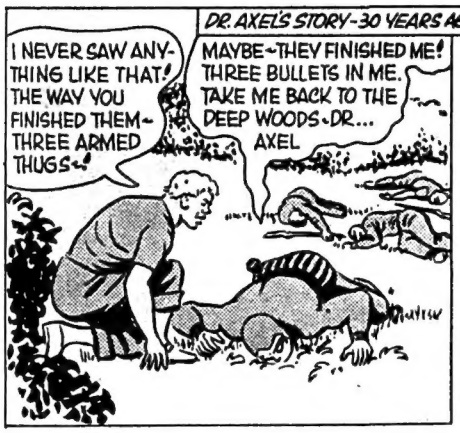
"WE RODE INTO THE WOODS~"
I'LL SHOW YOU THE HOSPITAL SITE~

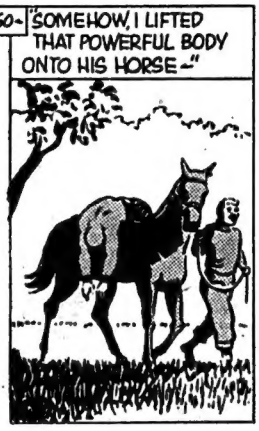
"SUDDENLY~A SHOT FROM THE BUSHES!"
WILSON McCOY 10-14

DR. AXEL'S STORY 30 YEARS AGO~
A GANG OF SMUGGLERS, WANTING REVENGE, HAD AMBUSHED THE MASKED MAN~

"I WAS HIT~ BY A BRANCH~ AND TOPPLED~"

"BUT IF I LIVE TO BE A HUNDRED~I'LL NEVER FORGET HIM~WITH THREE BULLETS IN HIM~TAKING OVER THAT GANG!"
WILSON McCOY 10-15


DR. AXEL'S STORY~30 YEARS AGO~
I NEVER SAW ANYTHING LIKE THAT! THE WAY YOU FINISHED THEM~ THREE ARMED THUGS~!
MAYBE~THEY FINISHED ME! THREE BULLETS IN ME. TAKE ME BACK TO THE DEEP WOODS~DR... AXEL


"SOMEHOW, I LIFTED THAT POWERFUL BODY ONTO HIS HORSE~"

BULLETS~HAVE TO BE REMOVED~OR I DIE? THEN REMOVE THEM, DOCTOR AXEL.
I DON'T THINK I CAN ANY MORE~I'M AFRAID.
THE SILENT PYGMIES WATCH.
WILSON McCOY 10-16

I CAN'T~OPERATE~ NO ANESTHETIC ~HAVEN'T TRIED FOR THREE YEARS~ CAN'T~
GET GOING, DR. AXEL.

"I DID IT. NOT A SOUND FROM HIM! HE GAVE ME THE COURAGE~"

"HE SMILED~ AND FELL ASLEEP~"
OPERATION~SUCCESSFUL. READY FOR~THAT HOSPITAL NOW~DOCTOR AXEL?
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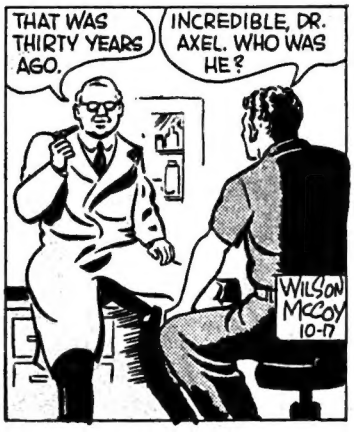

THAT WAS THIRTY YEARS AGO.
INCREDIBLE, DR. AXEL. WHO WAS HE?
WILSON McCOY 10-17

"THE JUNGLE FOLK BUILT THE FIRST HOSPITAL UNITS IN AMAZING TIME"
HOSPITAL
"I DIDN'T SEE HIM AGAIN FOR 25 YEARS."
YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN NOW, DR. AXEL. GOOD LUCK.
ER~WHAT HAS IT TO DO WITH THAT SYMBOL, DR. AXEL?
OH~I STARTED TO TELL YOU~MY, AN OLD MAN RAMBLES ON AND ON.
THAT IS HIS MARK. THAT HAPPENED ONLY A FEW YEARS AGO.
YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHO HE IS, OR WAS.
WILSON McCOY 10-19
THE PHANTOM~ALSO CALLED THE GHOST WHO WALKS~RULES THIS JUNGLE.
GHOST WHO~ HUH?
"THEY SAY HE'S 400 YEARS OLD~ 'THE MAN WHO CANNOT DIE'."
NATURALLY, DR. AXEL, THIS IS ABSURD. WHO IS HE REALLY?
25 YEARS PASSED BEFORE I SAW HIM AGAIN...
AFTER 25 YEARS, HE WAS UNCHANGED~STILL A YOUNG MAN.
WILSON McCOY 10-20
THIS IS~ER~THE PHANTOM'S SYMBOL?
HIS GOOD MARK. A FEW YEARS AGO THE WITCH DOCTORS GOT RESTLESS~TURNED AGAINST TIME~
DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL
WE ARE LOSING OUR POWER TO THIS DR. AXEL AND HIS NEW MAGIC CALLED "MEDICINE".
Dr. Axel's HOSPITAL
ONE NIGHT THEY TRIED TO BURN DOWN THE HOSPITAL..
WILSON McCOY 10-21
"SUDDENLY HE WAS HERE FIRST TIME IN 25 YEARS"
THE WITCH DOCTORS ARE STILL IN THE VILLAGES, BUT THEY ARE AFRAID TO HARM MY HOSPITAL NOW.
"AFTER DRIVING THEM AWAY HE PUT UP HIS GOOD MARK"
DR. AXEL'S
THE MARK IS ON ALL OUR CLOTHES~ DOORS~THIS MEANS WE ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE PHANTOM~
WILSON McCOY 10-22
~AND NO ONE IN THE JUNGLE DARES TO VIOLATE IT.
HMM

DO YOU BELIEVE MY STORY OF THE PHANTOM AND HIS MARK?
MOST INTERESTING STORY, DR. AXEL.

THE WORLD HONORS YOU, DR. AXEL. YOU ARE DOING MARVELOUS WORK HERE, SIR.
VISIT US AGAIN.

WHAT A YARN! THE OLD BOY'S GOING DOTTY OUT HERE. YET HE IS DOING A GREAT JOB~

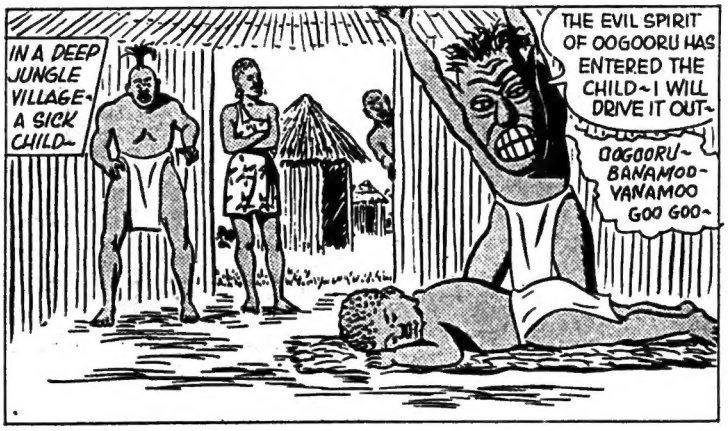
HE DIDN'T BELIEVE A WORD OF IT~ WHY DID I BOTHER TELLING HIM?
SOMETIMES I CAN'T BELIEVE IT MYSELF.
WILSON McCOY 10-23

THE WORK GOES ON IN DR. AXEL'S JUNGLE HOSPITAL..

BUT THE WITCH DOCTORS' HATRED REMAINS.
DR. AXEL'S HO

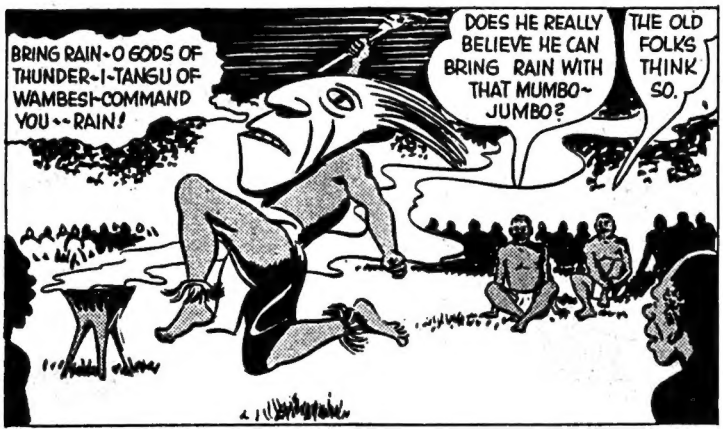
ONE DAY WE MUST DESTROY DR. AXEL AND HIS HOSPITAL.
THE PHANTOM PROTECTS HIM.

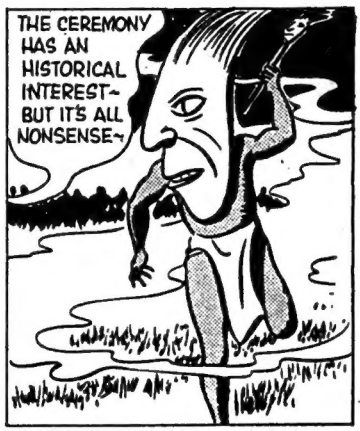
THEN WE MUST DESTROY THE PHANTOM!
WILSON McCOY 10-24

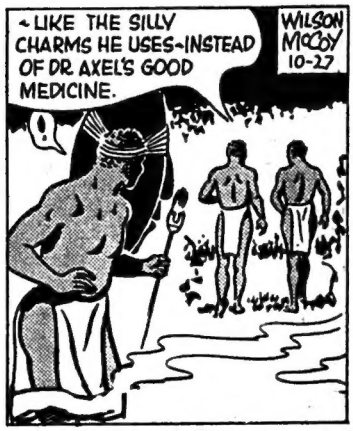

IN A DEEP JUNGLE VILLAGE~ A SICK CHILD~
THE EVIL SPIRIT OF OOGOORU HAS ENTERED THE CHILD~ I WILL DRIVE IT OUT~
OOGOORU~ BANAMOO~ VANAMOO GOO GOO~

NONSENSE. THE CHILD HAS PICKED UP A VIRUS. I'M GOING TO DR. AXEL FOR MEDICINE.

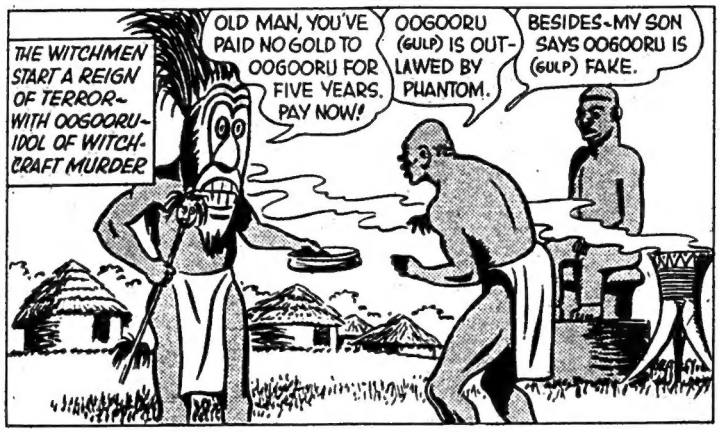
THE WITCHMEN ARE GETTING ANGRY!
SORRY~ ER~ YOU KNOW~ NO ARGUING WITH A WOMAN~
WILSON McCOY 10-26


BRING RAIN~ O GODS OF THUNDER~ I~ TANGU OF WAMBESI~ COMMAND YOU~~ RAIN!
DOES HE REALLY BELIEVE HE CAN BRING RAIN WITH THAT MUMBO~ JUMBO?
THE OLD FOLKS THINK SO.


THE CEREMONY HAS AN HISTORICAL INTEREST~ BUT IT'S ALL NONSENSE~

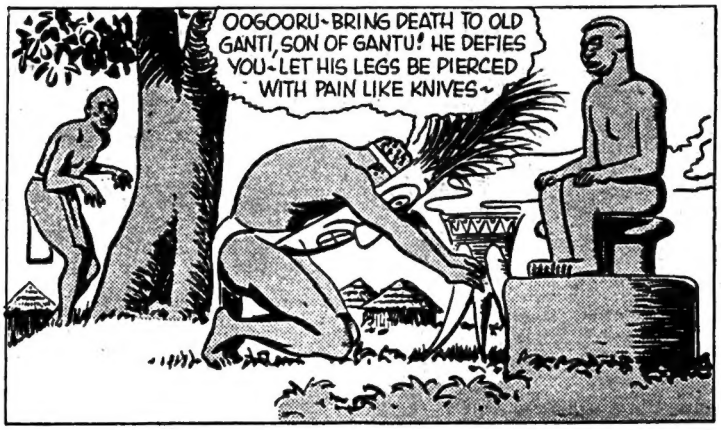

~LIKE THE SILLY CHARMS HE USES~ INSTEAD OF DR. AXEL'S GOOD MEDICINE.
WILSON McCOY 10-27

TOM-TOM BEATS ROLL THRU THE JUNGLE~
WITCHMEN ALL~ COME TO DOOM PEAK~
THE WITCHMEN ARE GATHERING~
THO THEIR POWER'S DWINDLED~ MANY STILL FEAR THEIR EVIL~
WITCHMEN!
ONE THEY FEAR ALSO HEARS~
ALL COME TO DOOM PEAK... WITCH
WITCHMEN HAVING A MEETING?
WILSON McCOY 10-28
OUR YOUNG PEOPLE MOCK OUR ANCIENT ARTS BECAUSE OF THE MEDICINE OF DR. AXEL~
DESTROY DR. AXEL AND HIS HOSPITAL~!
BUT THE PHANTOM PROTECTS HIM~
THE WITCHMEN'S CONCLAVE ON DOOM PEAK~
ONLY WE WITCH-MEN KNOW THE PHANTOM CAN DIE~
~IF WE TELL THE PEOPLE THEY WILL NOT BELIEVE US~
WE CAN PROVE IT ONLY BY HIS~DEATH!
YES ~~THEN DESTROY DR. AXEL!
WILSON McCOY 10-29
THE WITCHMEN ARE ANGRY BECAUSE OF DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL. THEY MEET NOW AT DOOM PEAK~ THEY WANT TO REGAIN POWER~
I BANNED OOGOORU~ AS THEY CALL THEIR WITCHCRAFT MURDER~
WITHOUT THAT, THEY CANNOT SCARE THEIR PEOPLE AGAIN~
HOW CAN WE REACH THE PHANTOM IN THE DEEP WOOD?
THERE ARE THE PYGMY POISON PEOPLE~
WE WILL BRING HIM TO US~AND ALSO TEACH OUR TRIBES TO FEAR US AGAIN WITH ~
~OOGOORU!
OOGOORU!
WILSON McCOY 10-30
THE WITCHMEN UNCOVER HIDDEN STATUES OF OOGOORU~ BANNED BY PHANTOM LAW~
OOGOORU~~
~ANCIENT IDOL OF WITCHCRAFT MURDER~
OOGOORU~HE BRINGS IT BACK~THE PHANTOM OUTLAWED IT!
IT IS NONSENSE~ THE PHANTOM TOLD US SO!
OOGOORU OOGOORU
IS IT?
WILSON McCOY 10-31


THE WITCHMEN START A REIGN OF TERROR~ WITH OOGOORU~ IDOL OF WITCH-CRAFT MURDER
OLD MAN, YOU'VE PAID NO GOLD TO OOGOORU FOR FIVE YEARS. PAY NOW!
OOGOORU (GULP) IS OUT-LAWED BY PHANTOM.
BESIDES~MY SON SAYS OOGOORU IS (GULP) FAKE.

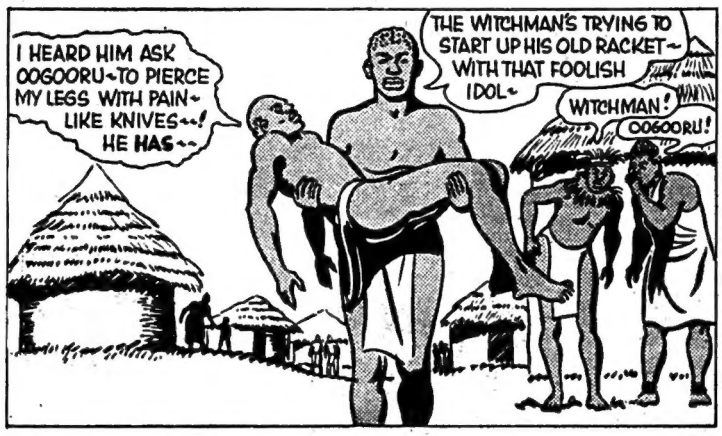
YOU DEFY OOGOORU~ HE WILL DESTROY YOU!

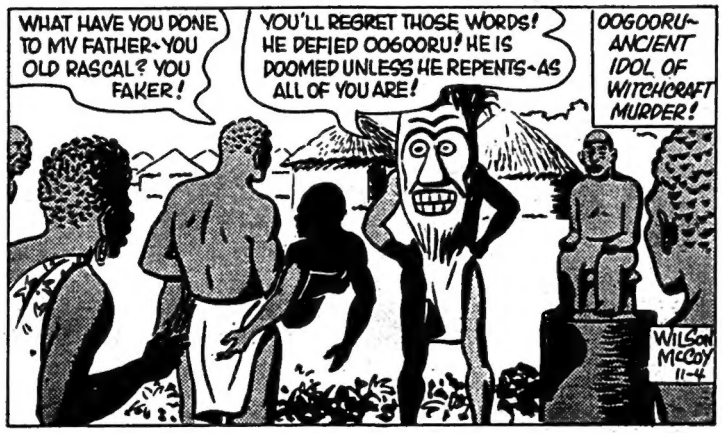
DON'T LISTEN TO THAT OLD FAKER! IT'S ALL SILLY.
ARE YOU SURE~SON?
WILSON McCOY 11-2


OOGOORU~BRING DEATH TO OLD GANTI, SON OF GANTU! HE DEFIES YOU~LET HIS LEGS BE PIERCED WITH PAIN LIKE KNIVES~

I HEARD~HE ASKED OOGOORU TO KILL ME~
FATHER~STAY AWAY FROM THAT FRAUD~HE'S A FAKER.

NO ONE BELIEVES IN ~~FATHER!
UH~MY LEGS~ MY LEGS~!
WILSON McCOY 11-3

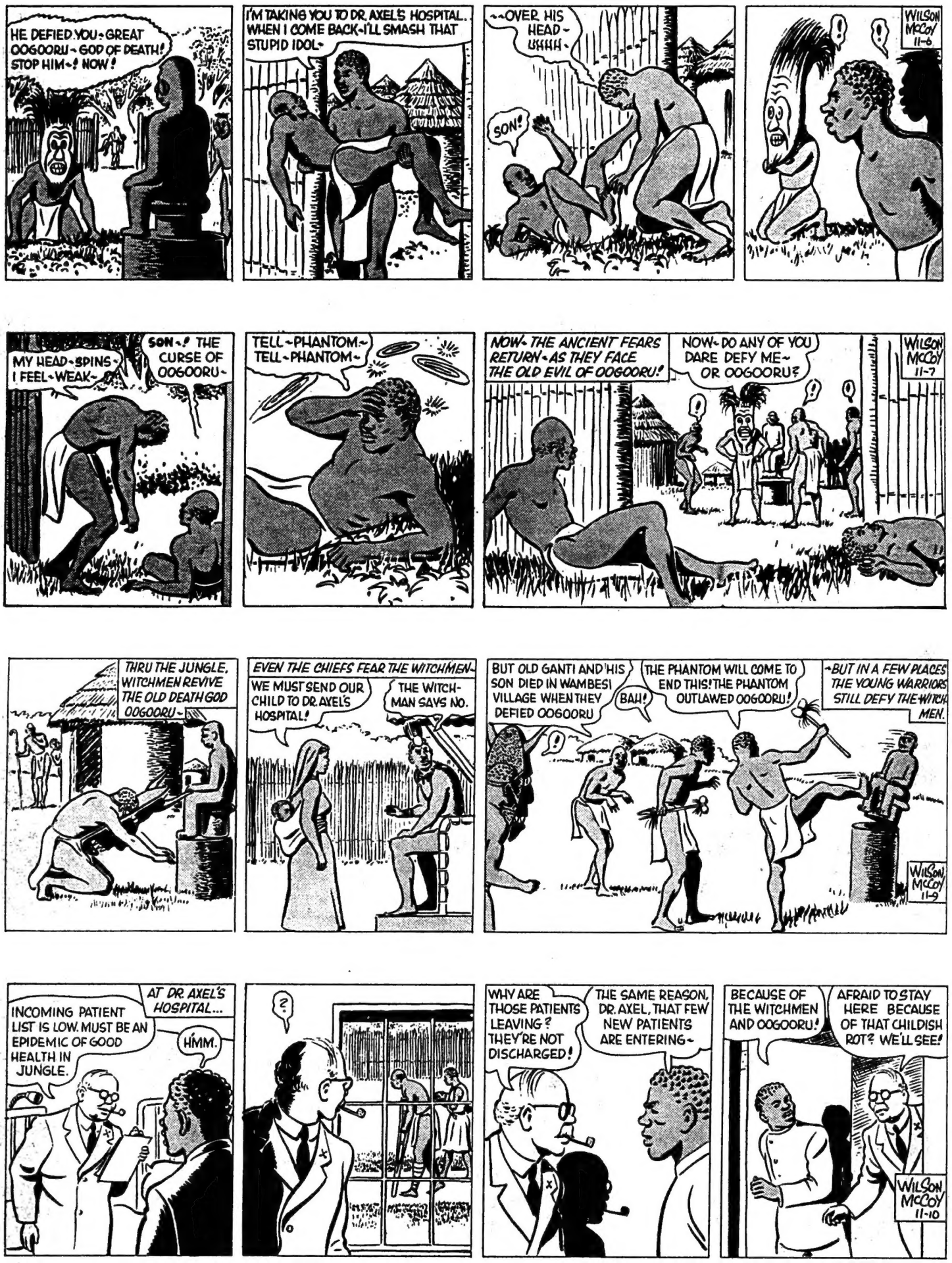

I HEARD HIM ASK OOGOORU~TO PIERCE MY LEGS WITH PAIN~ LIKE KNIVES~~! HE HAS~~
THE WITCHMAN'S TRYING TO START UP HIS OLD RACKET~ WITH THAT FOOLISH IDOL~
WITCHMAN!
OOGOORU!


WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO MY FATHER~YOU OLD RASCAL? YOU FAKER!
YOU'LL REGRET THOSE WORDS! HE DEFIED OOGOORU! HE IS DOOMED UNLESS HE REPENTS~AS ALL OF YOU ARE!
OOGOORU~ ANCIENT IDOL OF WITCHCRAFT MURDER!
WILSON McCOY 11-4

I'M TAKING MY FATHER TO DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL~THEN I'LL RETURN AND SETTLE WITH YOU~UH
YOU DEFY OOGOORU! YOU'LL NEVER REACH DR. AXEL~OR LEAVE THIS VILLAGE!

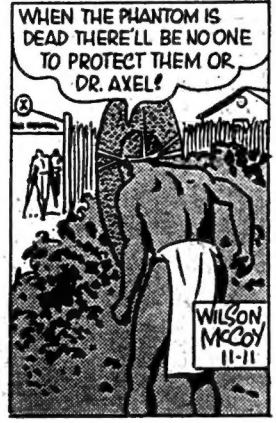
WHEN I RETURN, I'LL WIPE UP THE VILLAGE WITH YOU~AS I WIPE THIS SILLY MAGIC DUST FROM MY FACE!
WILSON McCOY 11-5

STOP HIM, OOGOORU~ DESTROY HIM!


HE DEFIED YOU - GREAT OOGOORU - GOD OF DEATH! STOP HIM -! NOW!
I'M TAKING YOU TO DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL.. WHEN I COME BACK - I'LL SMASH THAT STUPID IDOL -
- - OVER HIS HEAD - UHHH -
SON!
!
!
WILSON McCOY 11-6
MY HEAD - SPINS - I FEEL - WEAK -
SON -! THE CURSE OF OOGOORU -
TELL - PHANTOM - TELL - PHANTOM -
NOW - THE ANCIENT FEARS RETURN - AS THEY FACE THE OLD EVIL OF OOGOORU!
NOW - DO ANY OF YOU DARE DEFY ME - OR OOGOORU?
!
!
WILSON McCOY 11-7
THRU THE JUNGLE, WITCHMEN REVIVE THE OLD DEATH GOD OOGOORU -
EVEN THE CHIEFS FEAR THE WITCHMEN -
WE MUST SEND OUR CHILD TO DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL!
THE WITCH-MAN SAYS NO.
BUT OLD GANTI AND HIS SON DIED IN WAMBESI VILLAGE WHEN THEY DEFIED OOGOORU
!
BAH!
THE PHANTOM WILL COME TO END THIS! THE PHANTOM OUTLAWED OOGOORU!
- BUT IN A FEW PLACES THE YOUNG WARRIORS STILL DEFY THE WITCH MEN.
WILSON McCOY 11-9
AT DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL...
INCOMING PATIENT LIST IS LOW. MUST BE AN EPIDEMIC OF GOOD HEALTH IN JUNGLE.
HMM.
?
WHY ARE THOSE PATIENTS LEAVING? THEY'RE NOT DISCHARGED!
THE SAME REASON, DR. AXEL, THAT FEW NEW PATIENTS ARE ENTERING -
BECAUSE OF THE WITCHMEN AND OOGOORU!
AFRAID TO STAY HERE BECAUSE OF THAT CHILDISH ROT? WE'LL SEE!
WILSON McCOY 11-10

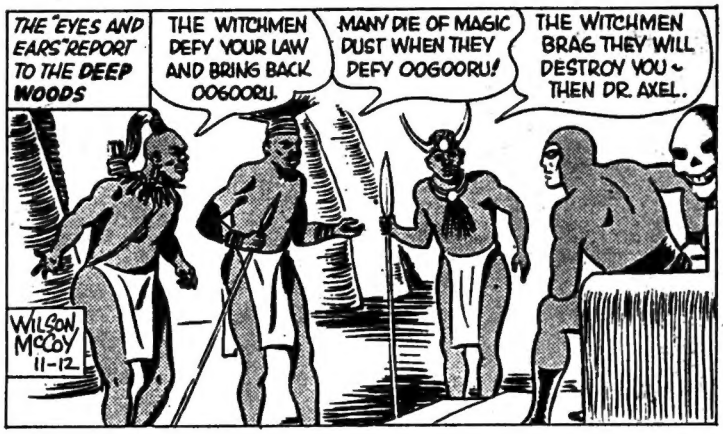
RETURN TO YOUR HOSPITAL BEDS~ ALL OF YOU. YOU ARE NOT READY TO LEAVE!
WE WILL DIE IF WE STAY, DR. AXEL.
OOGOORU, GOD OF DEATH, ORDERS US TO GO TO OUR VILLAGES. THE WITCHMEN TOLD US!

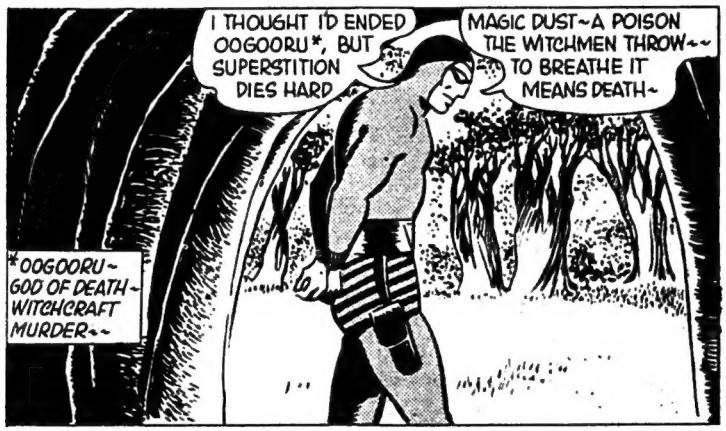
DO NOT FEAR YOUR WITCHMEN. WE ARE PROTECTED BY THE PHANTOM.
THERE IS HIS MARK! GO TO BED~ALL OF YOU!
DR AXEL'S HOSPITAL


WHEN THE PHANTOM IS DEAD THERE'LL BE NO ONE TO PROTECT THEM OR DR. AXEL!
WILSON McCOY 11-11

THE PHANTOM WILL COME TO END THIS TERROR OF OOGOORU AND THE WITCHMEN!
WHERE IS HE? DOES HE KNOW?

"THE PHANTOM HAS EYES AND EARS EVERYWHERE"~OLD JUNGLE SAYING


THE "EYES AND EARS" REPORT TO THE DEEP WOODS
THE WITCHMEN DEFY YOUR LAW AND BRING BACK OOGOORU.
MANY DIE OF MAGIC DUST WHEN THEY DEFY OOGOORU!
THE WITCHMEN BRAG THEY WILL DESTROY YOU~ THEN DR. AXEL.
WILSON McCOY 11-12


I THOUGHT I'D ENDED OOGOORU*, BUT SUPERSTITION DIES HARD
MAGIC DUST~A POISON THE WITCHMEN THROW~~ TO BREATHE IT MEANS DEATH~
*OOGOORU~ GOD OF DEATH~ WITCHCRAFT MURDER~~

TONIGHT'S DARK OF THE MOON~ THE WITCHMEN WILL GATHER ON DOOM PEAK~
THEY WANT TO DESTROY ME~THEY'LL DISCUSS IT~

ATOP DOOM PEAK, WEIRD BLUISH FIRE GLOWS~WHEN THE WITCHMEN GATHER!
WILSON McCOY 11-13

THE WITCHMEN MEET ATOP DOOM PEAK~
OUR PLAN SUCCEEDS. OUR POWER IS RETURNING.
STILL, THE YOUNG MEN AND DR. AXEL DEFY US~
THEY SAY THE PHANTOM PROTECTS THEM FROM OOGOORU~ AND US~

IT IS ALL TRUE! NOW COMES THE TIME TO DESTROY THE PHANTOM FOREVER! AND THE JUNGLE WILL BE OURS!

THIS WILL BE OUR PLAN~~
WILSON McCOY 11-14
NEXT WEEK: THE TRAP

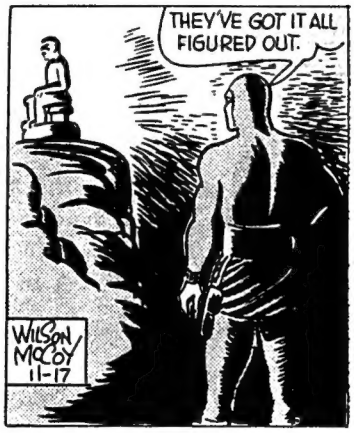
THE WITCHMEN ATOP DOOM PEAK--
WE WILL CHALLENGE THE PHANTOM TO MEET THE POWER OF OOGOORU HERE! HE CANNOT REFUSE A CHALLENGE.
ALL THE CHIEFS AND ELDERS OF THE TRIBES WILL BE HERE TO WITNESS THE MEETING!

AT THE PROPER MOMENT, OOGOORU WILL LIGHT THE GREAT FIRE HERE, AND THE PHANTOM WILL PERISH!

AND ALL THE JUNGLE WILL SEE THAT THE PHANTOM CAN DIE LIKE ANY OTHER MAN--AND WE WILL RULE!
WILSON McCOY 11-16

HERE WE WILL PREPARE THE MAGIC FIRE THAT OOGOORU WILL LIGHT!
HERE THE PHANTOM WILL MEET HIS DEATH! RETURN TO YOUR VILLAGES-

-LET THE PEOPLE KNOW OOGOORU CHALLENGES THE PHANTOM.
IF HE IS AFRAID TO COME, THEY'LL KNOW! IF HE COMES HE DIES!


THEY'VE GOT IT ALL FIGURED OUT.
WILSON McCOY 11-17

THE WITCHMEN WILL CHALLENGE ME TO COME HERE TO MATCH MY POWER AGAINST THEIR GOD OF DEATH- OOGOORU!

THEY KNOW THE PHANTOM CANNOT REFUSE A CHALLENGE THEY'VE PICKED THE GROUND-
-AND INTEND TO ROAST ME HERE BEFORE THE CHIEFS-

-THEN GO ON THEIR WAYS, UNCHECKED BY ANYONE!

OOGOORU, YOU AND I ARE GOING TO HAVE TO TANGLE, SOON!
WILSON McCOY 11-18

THE DRUMS OF THE WITCHMEN-
OOGOORU SAYS PHANTOM CAN DIE AS ANY OTHER MAN-

-ROLL THRU THE JUNGLE--
OOGOORU CHALLENGES PHANTOM THIS NIGHT AT DOOM PEAK-

LET THE JUNGLE SEE OOGOORU IS MIGHTY AND WILL DESTROY PHANTOM
-DOES THE PHANTOM DARE FACE OOGOORU?
WILSON McCOY 11-19

THE JUNGLE BUZZES WITH THE NEWS!
THIS NIGHT OOGOORU CHALLENGES PHANTOM AT DOOM PEAK...

FORCED BY THEIR WITCHMEN, THE JUNGLE CHIEFS GO TO DOOM PEAK TO WATCH~

YOU SHOULD NOT GO. THIS IS A TRICK TO TRAP YOU AND DESTROY YOU!
I KNOW IT IS A TRAP, GURAN~
~BUT THE PHANTOM CANNOT REFUSE A CHALLENGE! I MUST TAKE A CHANCE TO END THIS EVIL!
WILSON McCOY 11-20

NIGHT~ THE JUNGLE CHIEFS REACH THE DREADED DOOM PEAK~

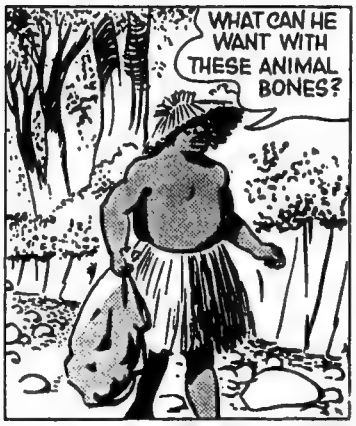
~WHERE THEIR WITCHMEN AWAIT THEM~

THE NIGHT GOES ON~ THEY WAIT, FEARFULLY~ BEFORE THE DREADED IDOL OF DEATH~OOGOORU!
WHERE IS THE PHANTOM?
MAYBE HE WON'T COME.
MAYBE HE IS AFRAID TO COME! HE FEARS OOGOORU!
WILSON McCOY 11-21

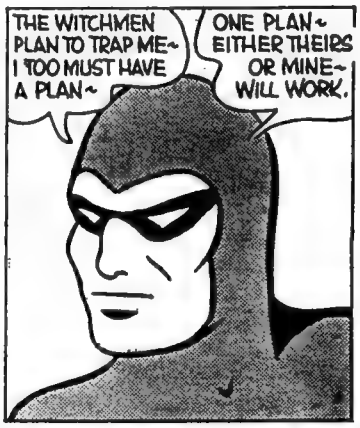
THE JUNGLE IS HUSHED~ THE NIGHT OF THE GREAT CHALLENGE!

~WHEN THE PHANTOM MUST FACE THE POWER OF OOGOORU~THE WITCHMEN'S IDOL OF DEATH~

DO NOT GO~ O GHOST WHO WALKS. IT IS A WITCHMEN'S TRICK TO TRAP AND KILL YOU!
GURAN, FILL THIS SACK WITH ANIMAL BONES~
WILSON McCOY 11-23


WHAT CAN HE WANT WITH THESE ANIMAL BONES?

THIS SACK OF BONES MUST BE OUR SECRET, GURAN. TELL NO ONE.


THE WITCHMEN PLAN TO TRAP ME~ I TOO MUST HAVE A PLAN~
ONE PLAN~ EITHER THEIRS OR MINE~ WILL WORK.

SOMETIMES HIS WAYS ARE MYSTERIOUS! WHAT WILL HE DO?
WILSON McCOY 11-24

DOES THE PHANTOM FEAR OOGOORU AND THE WITCHMEN?
ATOP DOOM PEAK, THE CHIEFS WAIT WORRIEDLY~

JUNGLE CHIEFS~ THE PHANTOM WILL NOT COME! HE FEARS OUR POWER!
RETURN TO YOUR TRIBES~ TELL THEM~

~THE PHANTOM'S POWER IS ENDED~
WAIT! TELL ME THAT!
PHANTOM!
HE HAS COME!
WILSON McCOY 11-25

ATOP DOOM PEAK!
YOU CAN DIE LIKE ANY OTHER MAN! NOW, OOGOORU!
THE TIME HAS COME TO DESTROY THE EVIL POWER OF THE WITCH-MEN, CHIEFS OF THE JUNGLE!

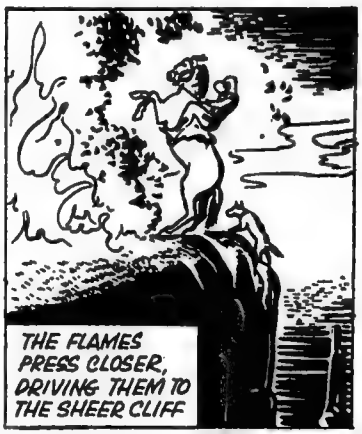
DO YOUR WORST, OOGOORU! I SAY TO ALL THE JUNGLE, YOU ARE ONLY A STONE STATUE~ A FAKE! JUST LIKE YOUR WITCHMEN!

DESTROY THE BLASPHEMER, GREAT OOGOORU!
KILL THE PHANTOM, OOGOORU!
WILSON McCOY 11-26

KILL THE PHANTOM, OOGOORU~ WITH YOUR MAGIC FIRE!
LET THE JUNGLE SEE~ THE PHANTOM CAN DIE LIKE ANY OTHER MAN!
BY A HIDDEN DEVICE~ THE IDOL SPITS FIRE

~THE FIRE HITS THE KEROSENE-SOAKED GROUND~ AND BLAZES!
THIS IDOL HAS NO MAGIC, CHIEFS, IT'S ONLY~ HO, HERO!
MAGIC FIRE!
OOGOORU~ HAS STRUCK!
WILSON McCOY 11-27

THE KEROSENE-SOAKED GROUND BLAZES~
DESTROY THE PHANTOM WITH YOUR MAGIC FIRE, O MIGHTY OOGOORU!
NO ESCAPE~ FOR PHANTOM~!
TRAPPED~ BY THE FIRE!


THE FLAMES PRESS CLOSER, DRIVING THEM TO THE SHEER CLIFF

NOW THE PHANTOM DIES! KILLED BY THE POWER OF OOGOORU!
WILSON McCOY 11-28

PHANTOM CANNOT DIE--
ATOP DOOM PEAK--
NOTHING CAN LIVE IN THAT BLAZE-

HIDDEN BY THE SMOKE-THE PHANTOM DROPS THE SACK OF BONES-

THEN, STILL HIDDEN BY THE WALL OF SMOKE AND FLAME, THEY LEAP FROM THE INCREDIBLE HEIGHT!
WILSON McCOY 11-30

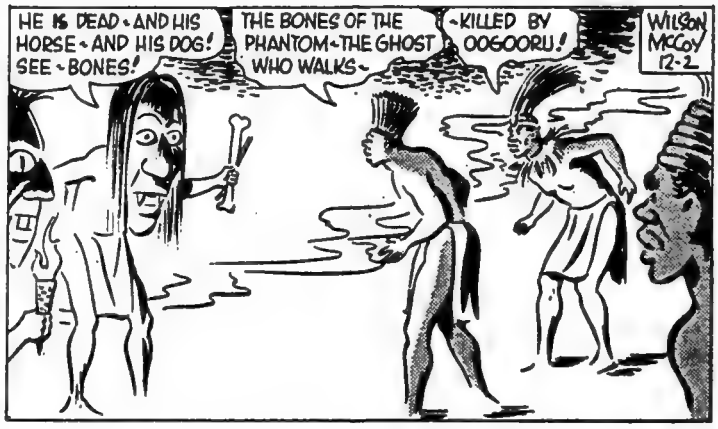
THEY LEAP FROM THE GREAT HEIGHT OF DOOM PEAK--
AND PLUNGE INTO THE LAKE, JUST MISSING THE ROCK-LINED SHORE-

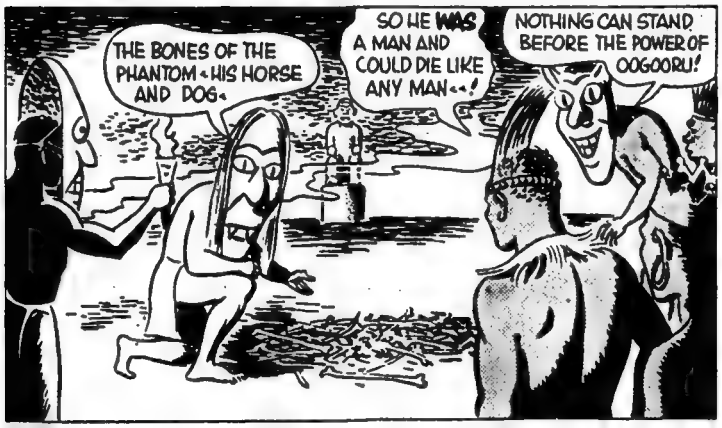
HURRY-FELLOWS, BEFORE THE SMOKE CLEARS UP THERE!

NOTHING COULD LIVE IN THE BLAZE! HE IS DEAD!
WILSON McCOY 12-1

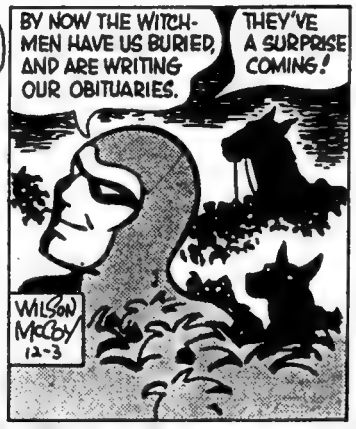
QUICK, FELLOWS, INTO THE WOODS!

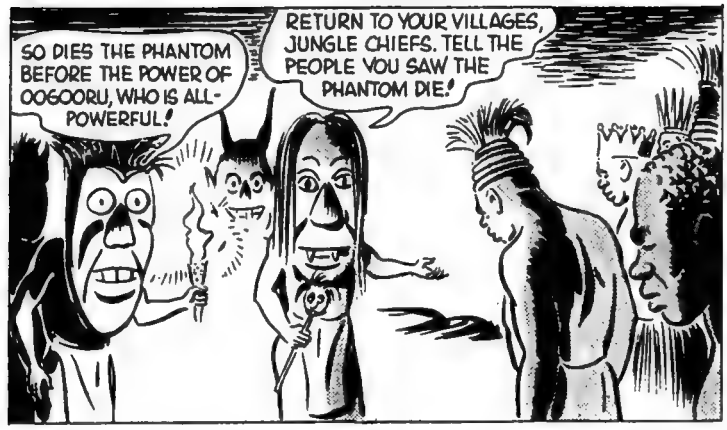
AS THE FIRE DIES DOWN, THE WITCH-MEN MOVE EAGERLY INTO THE AREA...


HE IS DEAD-AND HIS HORSE-AND HIS DOG! SEE-BONES!
THE BONES OF THE PHANTOM-THE GHOST WHO WALKS-
-KILLED BY OOGOORU!
WILSON McCOY 12-2


THE BONES OF THE PHANTOM-HIS HORSE AND DOG-
SO HE WAS A MAN AND COULD DIE LIKE ANY MAN--!
NOTHING CAN STAND BEFORE THE POWER OF OOGOORU!

THERE WAS NO ESCAPE THIS WAY! NOTHING COULD SURVIVE THAT JUMP!


BY NOW THE WITCH-MEN HAVE US BURIED, AND ARE WRITING OUR OBITUARIES.
THEY'VE A SURPRISE COMING!
WILSON McCOY 12-3

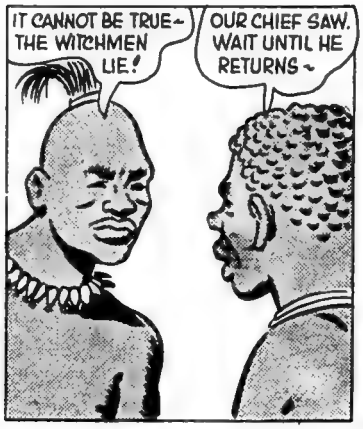

SO DIES THE PHANTOM BEFORE THE POWER OF OOGOORU, WHO IS ALL-POWERFUL!
RETURN TO YOUR VILLAGES, JUNGLE CHIEFS. TELL THE PEOPLE YOU SAW THE PHANTOM DIE!

SO WILL ALL DIE WHO OPPOSE THE POWER OF THE WITCHMEN AND THEIR OOGOORU!

THE DRUMS ROLL - THE NEWS SPREADS!
WILSON McCOY 12-4
PHANTOM DEAD..... KILLED BY OOGOORU..

DRUMS RELAY THE NEWS TO A STUNNED JUNGLE...
PHANTOM DEAD... KILLED BY OOGOORU..

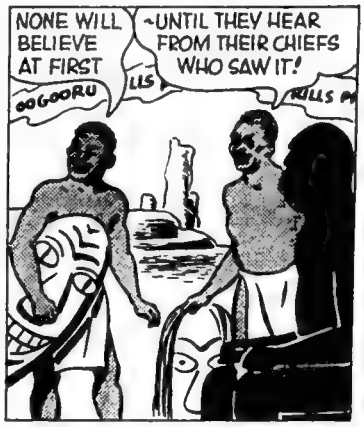
...PHANTOM DEAD.. KILLED BY O


IT CANNOT BE TRUE - THE WITCHMEN LIE!
OUR CHIEF SAW. WAIT UNTIL HE RETURNS -

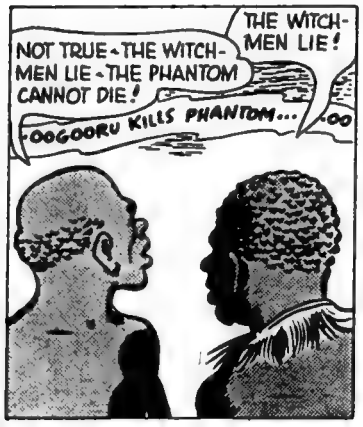
BUT THE MESSAGE ROLLS ON - - AND ON!
WILSON McCOY 12-5
PHANTOM DEAD.. KILLED BY OOGO

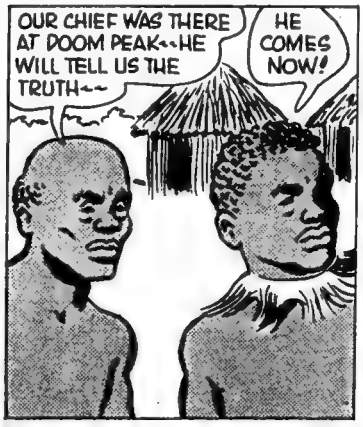
THE WORDS SPREAD THRU THE JUNGLE -
...OOGOORU KILLS PHANTOM ....PHANTOM DEAD!
12-7

THE JUNGLE CHIEFS WHO WITNESSED THE EVENT LEAVE DOOM PEAK...
OOGOORU KILLS PHANTOM


NONE WILL BELIEVE AT FIRST
- UNTIL THEY HEAR FROM THEIR CHIEFS WHO SAW IT!
OOGOORU

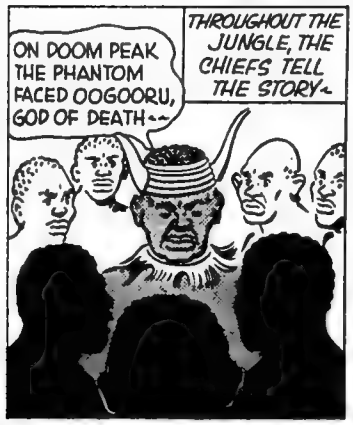
IT REACHES THE DEEP WOODS TO THE PYGMIES!
PHANTOM DEAD.... OOGOORU KILLS

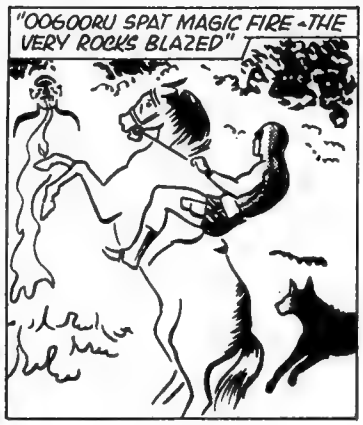

NOT TRUE - THE WITCHMEN LIE - THE PHANTOM CANNOT DIE!
THE WITCHMEN LIE!
OOGOORU KILLS PHANTOM...


OUR CHIEF WAS THERE AT DOOM PEAK - - HE WILL TELL US THE TRUTH - -
HE COMES NOW!

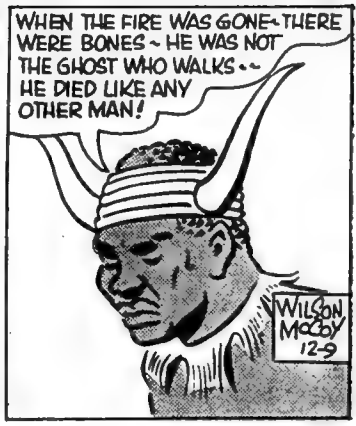
IN A SCORE OF VILLAGES - THE SCENE IS REPEATED AS THE CHIEFS RETURN -

IT IS TRUE. HE IS DEAD. I SAW HIS BONES!
WILSON McCOY 12-8

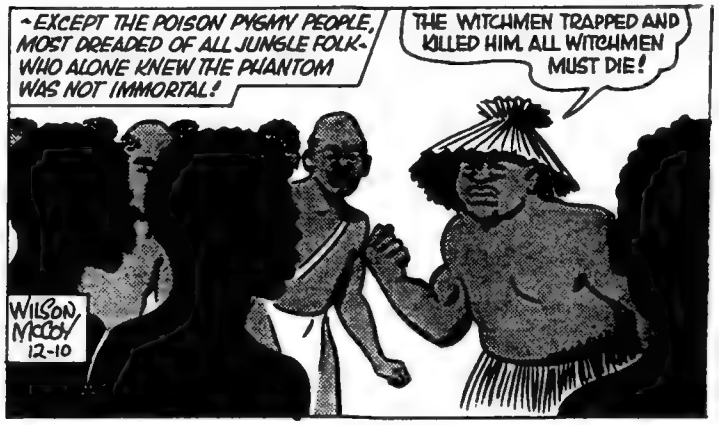

ON DOOM PEAK THE PHANTOM FACED OOGOORU, GOD OF DEATH--
THROUGHOUT THE JUNGLE, THE CHIEFS TELL THE STORY-


"OOGOORU SPAT MAGIC FIRE-THE VERY ROCKS BLAZED"

"THE PHANTOM AND HIS HORSE HERO, AND DOG DEVIL-ALL PERISHED!"

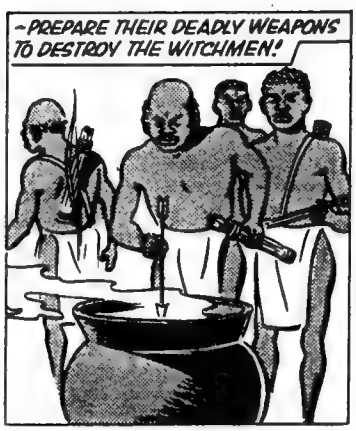

WHEN THE FIRE WAS GONE-THERE WERE BONES-HE WAS NOT THE GHOST WHO WALKS--HE DIED LIKE ANY OTHER MAN!
WILSON McCOY 12-9

NOW THE JUNGLE FEARS THE WITCHMEN-AND THE GOD OF DEATH RULES-ALL BOW-
BY OOGOORU.... PHANTOM-KILLED BY OOGOORU... PHANTOM

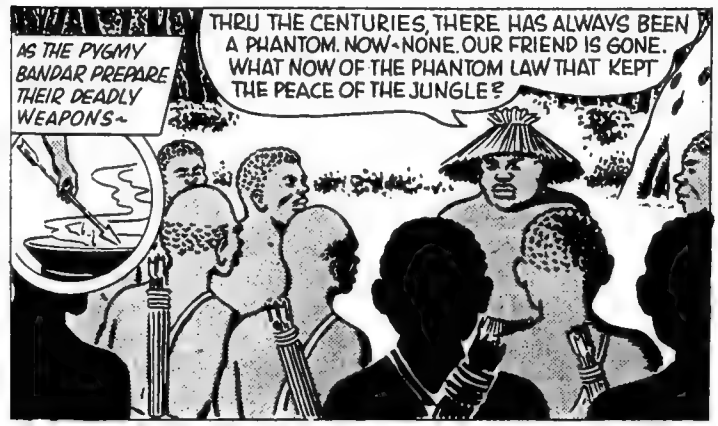

-EXCEPT THE POISON PYGMY PEOPLE, MOST DREADED OF ALL JUNGLE FOLK-WHO ALONE KNEW THE PHANTOM WAS NOT IMMORTAL!
THE WITCHMEN TRAPPED AND KILLED HIM. ALL WITCHMEN MUST DIE!
WILSON McCOY 12-10

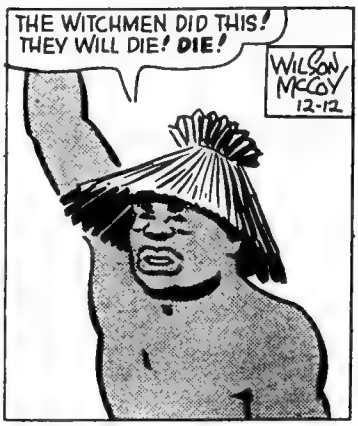
SILENT AND FURIOUS THAT THE WITCHMEN HAVE KILLED THEIR RULER OF THE JUNGLE-

-THE BANDAR, THE PYGMY POISON PEOPLE-MOST FEARED OF ALL JUNGLE FOLK-

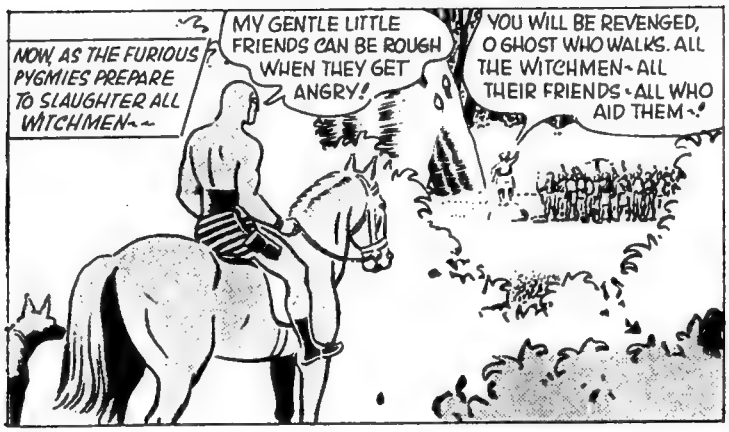

-PREPARE THEIR DEADLY WEAPONS TO DESTROY THE WITCHMEN!

MEANWHILE, THEIR RULER OF THE JUNGLE IS VERY MUCH ALIVE!
I'D BETTER GET BACK BEFORE THE PYGMIES TAKE OVER!
WILSON McCOY 12-11


AS THE PYGMY BANDAR PREPARE THEIR DEADLY WEAPONS-
THRU THE CENTURIES, THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PHANTOM. NOW-NONE. OUR FRIEND IS GONE. WHAT NOW OF THE PHANTOM LAW THAT KEPT THE PEACE OF THE JUNGLE?

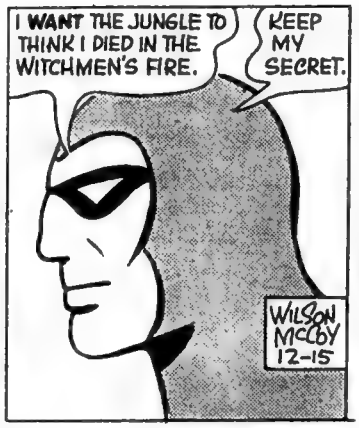

THE WITCHMEN DID THIS! THEY WILL DIE! DIE!
WILSON McCOY 12-12

WE WILL TRAVEL FAST. BY DAWN ALL WITCHMEN WILL BE DEAD!
BUT THAT WILL NOT BRING HIM BACK!


NOW, AS THE FURIOUS PYGMIES PREPARE TO SLAUGHTER ALL WITCHMEN--
MY GENTLE LITTLE FRIENDS CAN BE ROUGH WHEN THEY GET ANGRY!
YOU WILL BE REVENGED, O GHOST WHO WALKS. ALL THE WITCHMEN- ALL THEIR FRIENDS- ALL WHO AID THEM-!

I'VE RETURNED IN TIME, MEN OF BANDAR- BEFORE YOU FINISH OFF HALF THE JUNGLE!
HE LIVES!
WILSON McCOY 12-14

THE PYGMIES LEAP ABOUT HIM-DELIRIOUSLY HAPPY-
HE LIVES- HE LIVES-
BUT THEY FOUND YOUR BONES IN THE FIRE- THE CHIEFS SAW--
GURAN, REMEMBER THE BAG OF ANIMAL BONES YOU COLLECTED FOR ME?


I WANT THE JUNGLE TO THINK I DIED IN THE WITCHMEN'S FIRE.
KEEP MY SECRET.
WILSON McCOY 12-15

WHY, GURAN?
WHO KNOWS? HIS WAYS ARE SECRET- BUT HE LIVES!

NOW THE PHANTOM RACES THRU THE JUNGLE ON HIDDEN PATHS KNOWN ONLY TO HIM-

-TO AN ABANDONED WELL NEAR JUNGLE PATROL H.Q.

HE CLIMBS INTO THE WELL- HIS SECRET ENTRANCE-
WAIT IN THE BUSHES UNTIL I COME BACK- FELLOWS-
POISON WATER

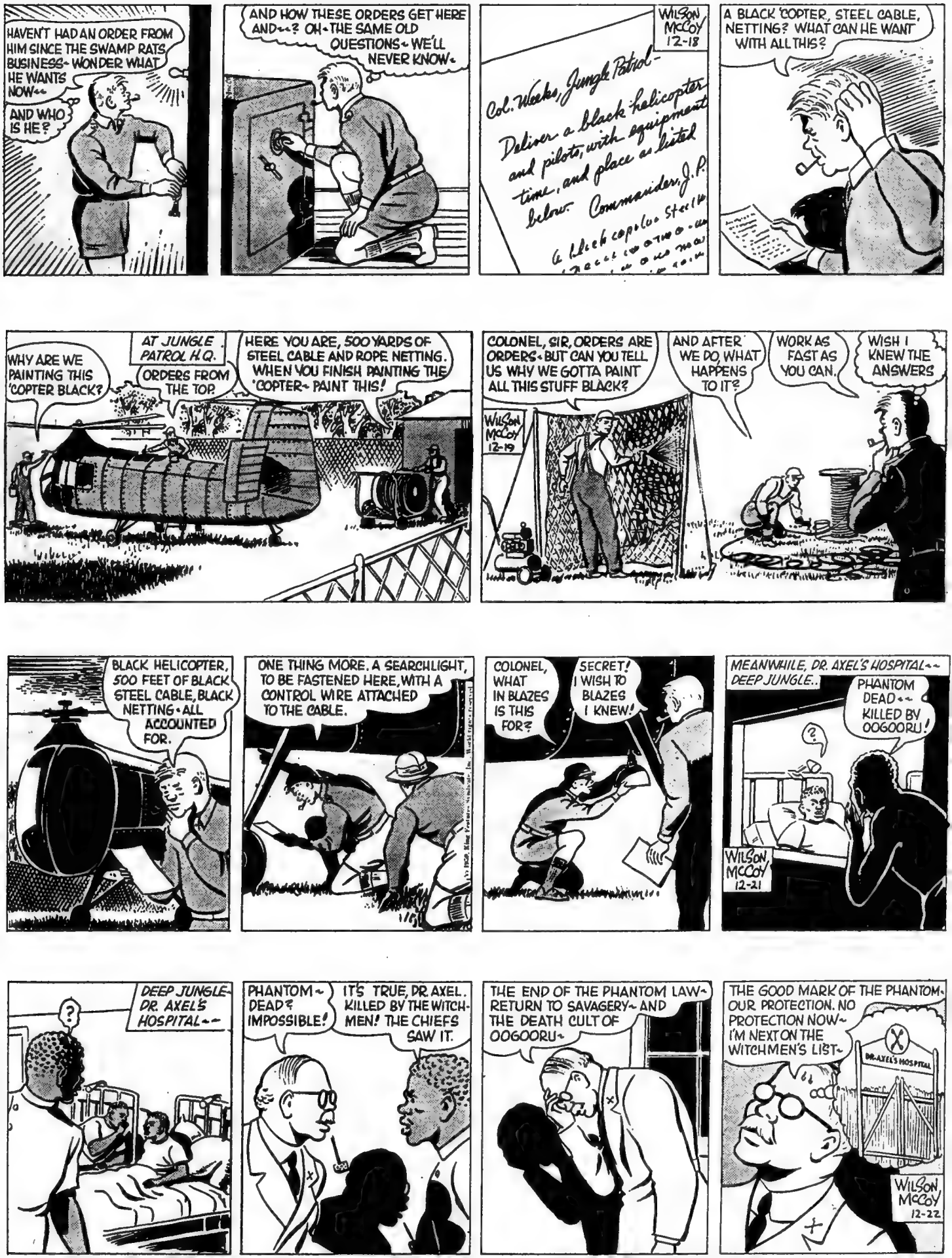
-LEADING TO AN UNDERGROUND PASSAGE BENEATH THE PATROL H.Q. WHAT'S HE UP TO?
WILSON McCOY 12-16

THE COLONEL WILL GET THESE ORDERS IN THE MORNING- AND HE'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT THEY'RE ABOUT!

HE RACES BACK THRU THE UNDERGROUND PASSAGE TO THE ABANDONED WELL-

WE'VE AN INTERESTING TIME AHEAD OF US, HERO. BACK INTO THE JUNGLE!

OH-OH! SIGNAL LIGHT!- MEANS A MESSAGE INSIDE FROM THE COMMANDER! HAVEN'T HAD ONE IN MONTHS!
JUNGLE PATROL
WILSON McCOY 12-17


HAVEN'T HAD AN ORDER FROM HIM SINCE THE SWAMP RATS BUSINESS- WONDER WHAT HE WANTS NOW--
AND WHO IS HE?
AND HOW THESE ORDERS GET HERE AND--? OH- THE SAME OLD QUESTIONS- WE'LL NEVER KNOW-
WILSON McCOY 12-18
Col. Weeks, Jungle Patrol-
Deliver a black helicopter and pilots, with equipment time, and place as listed below. Commander, J.P.
A BLACK 'COPTER, STEEL CABLE, NETTING? WHAT CAN HE WANT WITH ALL THIS?
WHY ARE WE PAINTING THIS 'COPTER BLACK?
AT JUNGLE PATROL H.Q.
ORDERS FROM THE TOP.
HERE YOU ARE, 500 YARDS OF STEEL CABLE AND ROPE NETTING. WHEN YOU FINISH PAINTING THE 'COPTER- PAINT THIS!
COLONEL, SIR, ORDERS ARE ORDERS- BUT CAN YOU TELL US WHY WE GOTTA PAINT ALL THIS STUFF BLACK?
AND AFTER WE DO, WHAT HAPPENS TO IT?
WORK AS FAST AS YOU CAN.
WISH I KNEW THE ANSWERS
WILSON McCOY 12-19
BLACK HELICOPTER, 500 FEET OF BLACK STEEL CABLE, BLACK NETTING- ALL ACCOUNTED FOR.
ONE THING MORE. A SEARCHLIGHT, TO BE FASTENED HERE, WITH A CONTROL WIRE ATTACHED TO THE CABLE.
COLONEL, WHAT IN BLAZES IS THIS FOR?
SECRET! I WISH TO BLAZES I KNEW!
MEANWHILE, DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL-- DEEP JUNGLE..
PHANTOM DEAD-- KILLED BY OOGOORU!
?
WILSON McCOY 12-21
DEEP JUNGLE- DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL--
?
PHANTOM- DEAD? IMPOSSIBLE!
IT'S TRUE, DR. AXEL. KILLED BY THE WITCH-MEN! THE CHIEFS SAW IT.
THE END OF THE PHANTOM LAW- RETURN TO SAVAGERY- AND THE DEATH CULT OF OOGOORU-
THE GOOD MARK OF THE PHANTOM- OUR PROTECTION. NO PROTECTION NOW- I'M NEXT ON THE WITCHMEN'S LIST-
DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL
WILSON McCOY 12-22

I'VE SPENT 30 YEARS BUILDING THIS HOSPITAL! NO IGNORANT WITCHMEN ARE GOING TO STOP US!
ISSUE RIFLES TO ALL DOCTORS AND INTERNES!

DR. AXEL, THE PATIENTS ARE LEAVING!
NO, THEY'RE NOT!

DR. AXEL - PHANTOM GONE - OOGOORU RULES JUNGLE - WE MUST LEAVE - -
NOBODY'S LEAVING! BACK TO YOUR BEDS!
WILSON McCOY 12-23

DR. AXEL, THERE'LL BE THOUSANDS! WHAT CHANCE HAVE WE?
ONE - IN A THOUSAND, I GUESS.

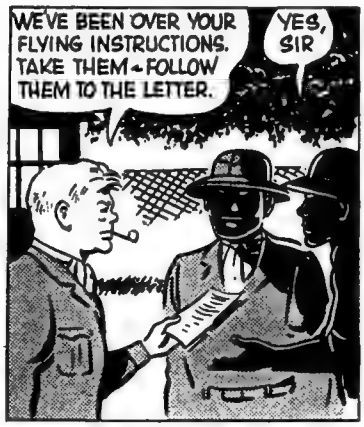
TONIGHT WE DESTROY THE EVIL PLACE OF DR. AXEL. WARRIORS OF EVERY TRIBE WILL COME. OOGOORU, WHO KILLED THE PHANTOM, COMMANDS!

UNHAPPY BUT HELPLESS - THE WARRIORS MUST OBEY.
NOTHING ELSE -
WE CAN DO

THAT NIGHT - FROM DOZENS OF NATIVE VILLAGES -

THEY'RE COMING, DR. AXEL! HEAR THE DRUMS?!
WE'D BETTER GET INSIDE.
WILSON McCOY 12-24

ALL THE JUNGLE MARCHES AGAINST DR. AXEL. WHERE IS THE PHANTOM TO STOP THEM?
I DON'T KNOW. THEY THINK HE'S DEAD.


WE'VE BEEN OVER YOUR FLYING INSTRUCTIONS. TAKE THEM - FOLLOW THEM TO THE LETTER.
YES, SIR

OF ALL THE GOOFY MISSIONS!

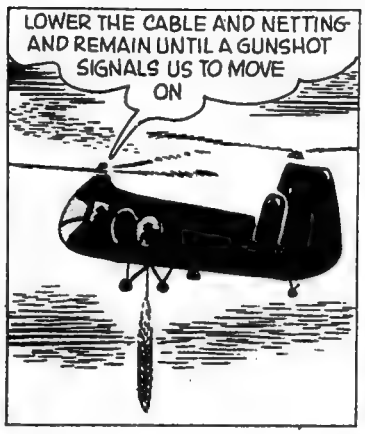
THEY SHOULD BE HERE - SOON!
WILSON McCOY 12-25

MANY HAD RECEIVED HELP FROM THE HOSPITAL THEY MUST NOW DESTROY -
WARRIORS FROM ALL THE TRIBES STREAM THRU THE JUNGLE -

THIS NIGHT THE EVIL PLACE OF DR. AXEL WILL BE NO MORE!

HERE THEY COME - ! WHAT'LL WE DO, DR AXEL?
TO QUOTE, "DON'T FIRE UNTIL YOU SEE THE WHITES OF THEIR EYES".
WILSON McCOY 12-26

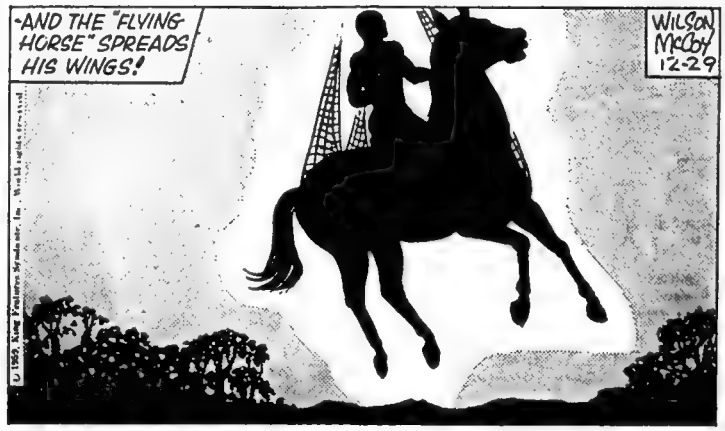
WHAT A MISSION~ NO LIGHTS~NO SMOKING~
HERE'S THE PLACE ~ORDERS ARE TO STAY AT FIVE HUNDRED FEET


LOWER THE CABLE AND NETTING AND REMAIN UNTIL A GUNSHOT SIGNALS US TO MOVE ON

GOOD MEN! FOLLOWED ORDERS~REACHED HERE ON THE BUTTON
WHAT'S THE PHANTOM UP TO?
WILSON McCOY 12-28

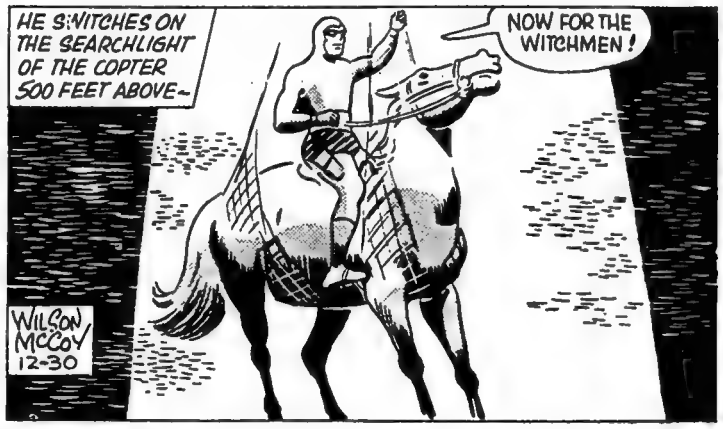
THAT'S GOOD AND SNUG~ GUESS WE'RE READY TO GO.

CAN'T SEE A THING DOWN THERE~AH~THERE IT IS~A GUNSHOT~ WE GO!


~AND THE "FLYING HORSE" SPREADS HIS WINGS!
WILSON McCOY 12-29

GOOD~CAN'T SEE A THING UP THERE~
HERE'S THE SWITCH~

LOOKS LIKE A GUY ON A HORSE DOWN THERE~LITTLE HARD TO MAKE OUT~NO MOON~

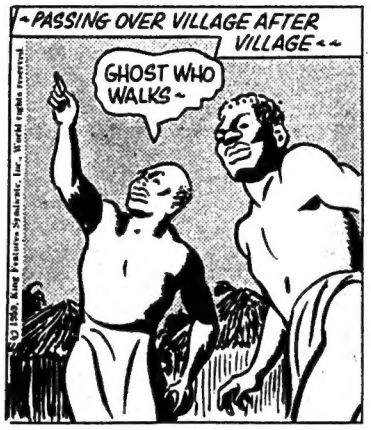

HE SWITCHES ON THE SEARCHLIGHT OF THE COPTER 500 FEET ABOVE~
NOW FOR THE WITCHMEN!
WILSON McCOY 12-30

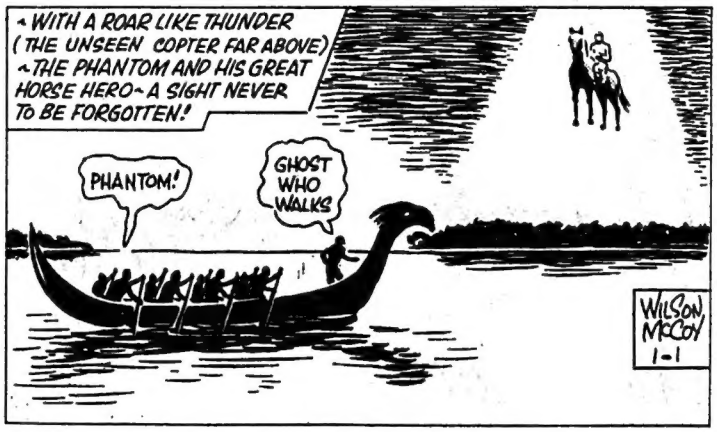
NOW THE WITCHMEN WILL DESTROY DR. AXEL'S HOSPITAL~AS THEY DESTROYED THE PHANTOM~
PHANTOM WAS ONLY A MAN, AFTER ALL~

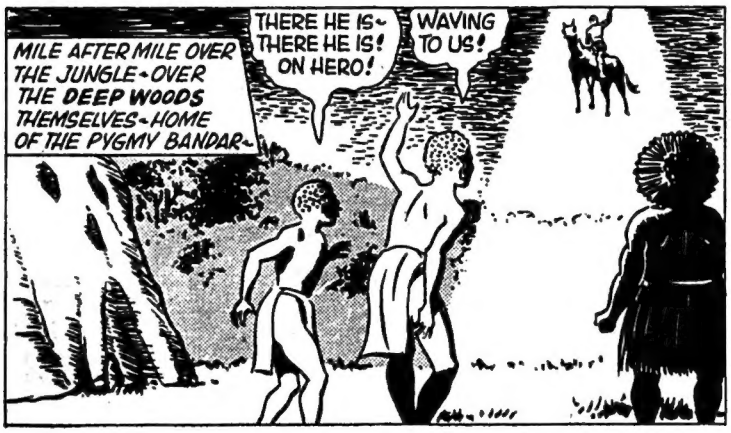
THE PHANTOM AND HIS GREAT HORSE HERO DIED IN THE MAGIC FIRES OF OOGOORU~THE CHIEFS SAW IT~

PHANTOM!
HERO!
WILSON McCOY 12-31

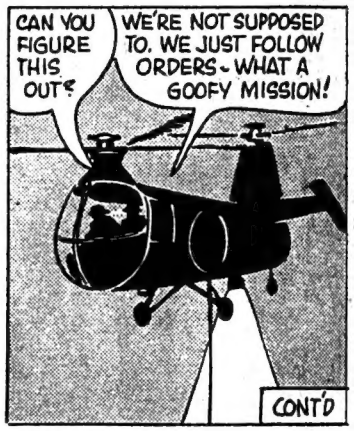
NOW~ THRU THE JUNGLE~


~PASSING OVER VILLAGE AFTER VILLAGE~~
GHOST WHO WALKS~


~WITH A ROAR LIKE THUNDER (THE UNSEEN COPTER FAR ABOVE) ~THE PHANTOM AND HIS GREAT HORSE HERO~ A SIGHT NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN!
PHANTOM!
GHOST WHO WALKS
WILSON McCOY 1-1


MILE AFTER MILE OVER THE JUNGLE~ OVER THE DEEP WOODS THEMSELVES~ HOME OF THE PYGMY BANDAR~
THERE HE IS~ THERE HE IS! ON HERO!
WAVING TO US!

THIS SHOULD CAUSE A LITTLE TALK IN THE VILLAGES, HERO. ENJOY FLYING?
WILSON McCOY 1-2


CAN YOU FIGURE THIS OUT?
WE'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO. WE JUST FOLLOW ORDERS~ WHAT A GOOFY MISSION!
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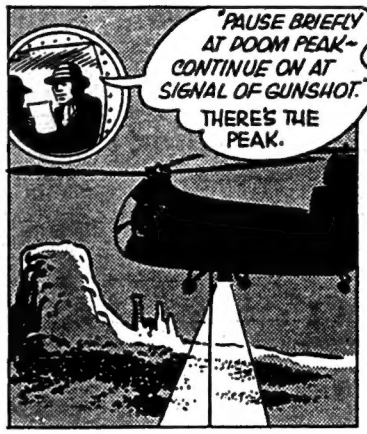

"PAUSE BRIEFLY AT DOOM PEAK~ CONTINUE ON AT SIGNAL OF GUNSHOT."
THERE'S THE PEAK.

WE'VE COME FOR YOU, OOGOORU.*
*OOGOORU, WITCHMEN'S GOD OF DEATH

NOW~ ON TO DR. AXEL~ AND THE WITCHMEN!

WILSON McCOY 1-4

PROTECTED BY SIGN OF PHANTOM! ~PHANTOM IS DEAD~ NO MORE PROTECTION!
OOGOORU NOW RULES! DEATH AND FIRE TO DR. AXEL AND HIS EVIL PLACE!
DEATH AND FIRE!
DR AXEL'S HOSPITAL

DEATH AND FIRE TO DR. AXEL!

~AND THE BATTLE IS ON
AND THE SAME TO YOU!
WILSON McCOY 1-5

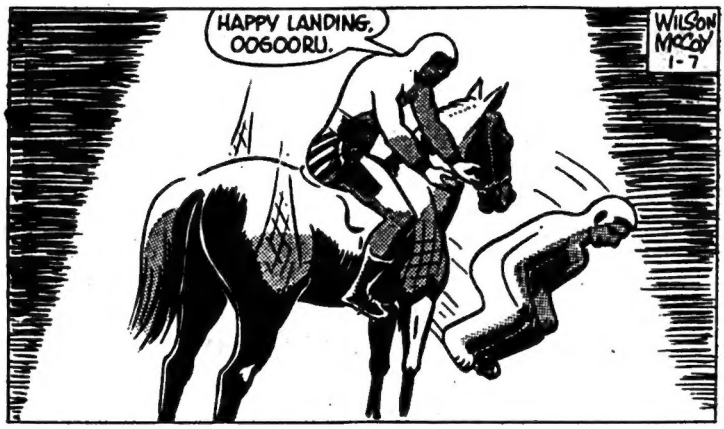
ROOF IS ON FIRE!
KEEP SHOOTING!

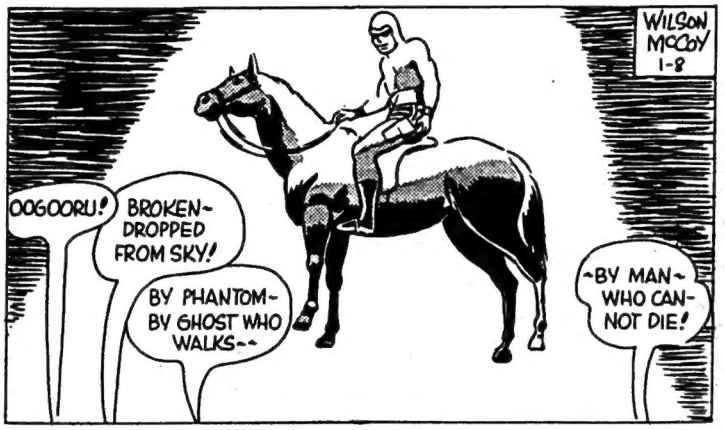
THOUSANDS OF US~THEY CAN ONLY HOLD US BACK A FEW MINUTES~THEN MASSACRE!

PHAN-TOM!
GHOST WHO WALKS!
RETURNED~FROM~DEAD!
WILSON McCOY 1-6

BUT HE DIED IN THE FIRE~WE SAW HIS BONES!
GHOST WHO WALKS CAN NEVER DIE

OF ALL THE~~! MARVELOUS~~!


HAPPY LANDING, OOGOORU.
WILSON McCOY 1-7


WILSON McCOY 1-8
OOGOORU!
BROKEN~DROPPED FROM SKY!
BY PHANTOM~BY GHOST WHO WALKS~~
~BY MAN~WHO CAN-NOT DIE!

THE MASSED THOUSANDS STARE AT THE BROKEN GOD OF DEATH-OOGOORU~~DROPPED FROM THE SKY~

~THEN AT THE INCREDIBLE SIGHT OF THE RULER THEY THOUGHT DEAD~

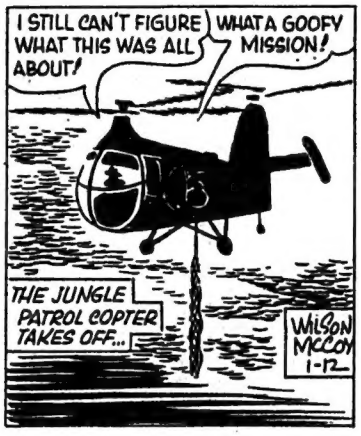
THEY'RE RUNNING~RUNNING AWAY!
OH, DR. AXEL~WHAT'LL WE DO NOW?
PUT OUT THE FIRE ON THE ROOF!
WILSON McCOY 1-9

FLEEING FROM THE HOSPITAL- THE THOUSANDS STARE FROM THE HILLS--
HE DIED IN THE FLAMES ON DOOM PEAK-
YET HE LIVES AND FLIES THRU THE SKY!

HE SWITCHES OFF THE SEARCH-LIGHT HIGH ABOVE HIM--
TIME TO TURN OFF THE LIGHT--
WILSON McCOY 1-11

-AND SUDDENLY SEEMS TO VANISH IN THE DARK SKY!

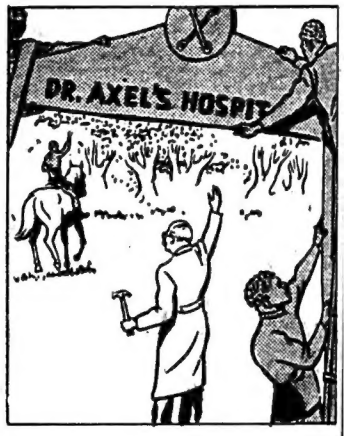
THAT WAS QUITE A FLIGHT, HERO. SHOULD MAKE FOR A GOOD DEAL OF GOSSIP.


I STILL CAN'T FIGURE WHAT THIS WAS ALL ABOUT!
WHAT A GOOFY MISSION!
THE JUNGLE PATROL COPTER TAKES OFF...
WILSON McCOY 1-12

SO BEGINS THE GREAT LEGEND- "THE FLYING HORSE"
HERO, TELL DEVIL ALL ABOUT IT WHEN YOU SEE HIM. TOO BAD HE MISSED IT!

THAT WAS MARVELOUS! HOW DID YOU DO IT?
LONG STORY, DR. AXEL. THE WITCHMEN ARE FINISHED- YOUR HOSPITAL IS SAFE-

WILL I SEE YOU AGAIN?
IF YOU NEED ME.
YOU CAN PUT YOUR SIGN UP AGAIN.
WILSON McCOY 1-13


DR. AXEL'S HOSPIT

THE NEWS SPREADS--
PHANTOM LIVES.... FLIES THRU AIR... DESTROYS OOGOORU

THE WITCHMEN ARE ON THE RUN-
THERE HE IS!

- THE JUNGLE FOLK TURN ON THEM FURIOUSLY--
GRAB HIM!
WILSON McCOY 1-14

WE HAVEN'T DECIDED YOUR PUNISHMENT YET. WE CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING BAD ENOUGH.
BUT WE WILL!

AT A THOUSAND CAMPFIRES~
THE PHANTOM FACED OOGOORU, GOD OF DEATH~ON DOOM PEAK AND OOGOORU SPAT MAGIC FIRE~
"~THE PHANTOM AND HIS MIGHTY HERO FLEW OUT OF THE GREAT FIRE, INTO THE SKY~
"~IN THE SKY~THE PHANTOM FOUGHT OOGOORU"~
WILSON McCOY 1-15
~AND THREW HIM TO EARTH SO THAT HE BROKE AND DIED! ~AND THE PHANTOM LIVES ON!
WHEW!
THE WITCHMEN AND THEIR IDOL OOGOORU ARE FINISHED!
WE HAVE HEARD.
WE SAW YOU FLY THRU THE SKY. MAY ONE ASK HOW THIS WAS DONE?
ONE MAY NOT, BUT ONE MAY GUESS, GURAN.
OOGOORU IS FINISHED~BUT THE LEGEND OF THE PHANTOM AND HIS GREAT FLYING HORSE WILL GO ON AS LONG AS JUNGLE FOLK CAN TALK.
WILSON McCOY 1-16
NEXT WEEK: NEW ADVENTURE